Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association Executive Board Meeting "Free School" June 13, 2013

ATTENDANCE: Charlie Gable, Alicia Hardisky, John Hammond, Susie Jablinske, Millie Zipay, Max Muller, Virginia Crespo, Phyllis Cherry, & Tony Anzalone.

CALL TO ORDER: President Charlie Gable thanked everyone for being present and called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

PLEDGE: Charlie led the pledge to the flag.

MINUTES: John Hammond presented the minutes from the April 11, 2013 meeting. Minutes were approved and filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Alicia Hardisky presented the June treasurer's report of fund balances. The report was approved and filed for audit.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: No report.

NEW MEMBERS: Charlie welcomed new Executive Board members: Phyllis Cherry -Consumer Education, Millie Zipay -Remembrance Committee , Mary Wagner - Recording Secretary (Effective July , 2013).

DISTRIBUTION of COPIES: Charlie distributed the AARSPA Roster (2013-2014), AARSPA Calendar (2013-2014)

IMPORTANT NOTES: We are dropping the March luncheon/meeting at Michaels Eighth Avenue and adding a February luncheon/meeting at the Blue Dolphin in Crofton, Maryland. The Blue Dolphin luncheon/meeting will take place on February 6, 2014 (Snow Date: Feb. 13, 2014). The Florida luncheon/meeting will be held at the Venice Yacht Club on March 13, 2014. For the future, Executive Board Meetings will not always fall on Thursdays.

REPORTS:

Legislation: Virginia Crespo indicated there is nothing new to report.

Archives / History: Carla is working on the archives and history. She needs everyone's end of year committee reports by June 13, 2013.

Constitution - By-Laws: No report. A meeting needs to be scheduled. Need to visit the Assistant Treasurer's role.

Chorus: Discussed changes. Rick Wiles is the new Chorus Secretary.

Community Service: No report.

Consumer Education: Phyllis Cherry is the new chair and plans to introduce topics for the future involving: health, home, money and travel.

Educator/Employee of the Month: Tony Anzalone reported the end of year report was submitted to Carla and an article was submitted for "The *INFORMER*". At the last BOE meeting the board president asked Tony to stand for recognition which also included recognition for AARSPA.

Finance/Budget: Alicia Hardisky reported that she will prepare a proposed budget for the next year. She will send a copy via e-mail to all financial stakeholders for their input and suggestions. A tentative budget will be presented at the Executive Board meeting in July, 2013 for further responses prior to presenting it at our September luncheon for final approval.

Free School: Bob is coordinating the roof repair analysis by potential contractors. It appears we may need to replace the entire roof in 3-4 years. Karlie is coordinating the tours. Virginia Crespo reported she participated in the Northeast and Broadneck H.S. tours. She has also done some research on the school and distributed a handout titled: "Notes for the Free School". She plans on doing more research.

Hospitality: No report.

Membership: Our membership stands at 1950 members. Carol Kirby is working on a new membership brochure. Carol, Millie, Alicia and Charlie attended the countywide "Retirement Reception" held at Michael's 8th Avenue on June 3, 2013.

Remembrance: Millie Zipay distributed a report and indicated we are sending out Emeritus birthday cards and anniversary cards. We are also soliciting restaurant gift certificates and coupons to be given out at our luncheons for members celebrating birthdays and for members attending the luncheon/meetings.

Newsletter/ Informer: August 1st is the next deadline for articles.

Photography: John Hammond will provide photography services as needed or requested.

Pre-Retirement: Next committee meeting will be held on June 25th at 10:00 A.M. The first pre-retirement meeting for potential retirees will be held in October'2013.

Programs: Charlie reported Dr. Maxwell will attend the November luncheon/meeting at CATN. A group of guitar players will perform at the September luncheon/meeting and we may invite

Tim Amann to return for the November luncheon/meeting. Millie and Virginia suggested we cut the entertainment time to 45 minutes in order to allow more time for socialization during the luncheon/meeting.

Public Relations: Some issues have popped up on the web site and Bill Brose is addressing them in consultation with our web masters. John Hammond suggested we keep our minutes from meetings on the site for one year and archive them afterwards. The board was receptive to the idea.

Raffle: No report.

Scholarship: No report.

Travel: The Crab Feast/Cruise out of Hurlock, Md. on September 25th is filling up and only 12 tickets remain for purchase. Bob Kanach is collected money for the trips. They are also organizing a bus trip to the Hippodrome to see "White Christmas". The committee is exploring additional shows/concerts/trips.

United Seniors of Maryland: Susie Jablinske reported Michael Busch attended the last meeting. She also distributed the June'2013 United Seniors of Maryland Newsletter. The forum date is set for January 21, 2014. The next meeting is September 16th and membership is \$15.

Nominations: We have a full slate of officers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Florida Meeting/ Luncheon /Get-Together: Charlie stressed the importance of continuing the annual Florida luncheon/meeting. The next meeting will be held in the Venice, Florida on March 12 - 13, 2014. The luncheon/meeting will be coordinated by Shirley Phillips who lives in Venice, Florida. Bob Kanach is working on reserving a block of tickets for the Orioles spring training games in Sarasota.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Tony Anzalone and Patty Nalley on being selected for induction to the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. The Awards luncheon will be held at Michael's 8th Avenue on October 17, 2013. Congratulations are also in order for the following AARSPA members who have been elected to offices in MRSPA: Max Muller, President-Elect, Carla Duls, Secretary, and Sandra Edmonds , Nominating Committee. AARSPA received two certificates at the annual MRSPA Business Meeting - Membership Increase - 1.05% and Unit of Excellence Award for 2012-2013.

MRSPA: MRSPA has an Area Director position open to cover the local organizations in Anne Arundel Co., Baltimore Co., Baltimore City and Harford Co. Any nominees ?

Scholarship Concern: Susie Jablinske and Virginia Crespo voiced a concern that we awarded one of the scholarships to a private school student. They felt that the funds should be for public school students because the funds are generated by public school retired employees. There was much discussion on the topic and also whether or not Scholarships for Scholars would permit us to restrict our scholarships to public school students and exclude private school students. More research needs to be done and the discussion was tabled until the next Executive Board meeting so the scholarship committee chairs can be a part of the discussion.

Dates To Remember:

July 12, 2013 - Exec. Board Mtg. - Parham Building - Center 3, 10:00 A.M. August 1, 2013 - Deadline for articles for "*The Informer*" - Carla Duls September 12, 2013 - General Membership Luncheon/Meeting - Snyder's Willow Grove

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED - 12:20 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hammond, Recording Secretary